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TAGS: PFOR, IZ, IN

SUBJECT: BAGHDAD VISIT OF INDIAN RAILWAYS MINISTER

1. INDIAN RAILWAYS MINISTER MOHAMMED SHAFIE QURAISH VISITED BAGHDAD JULY 7 AND 8. CALLED ON RCC VICE CHAIRMAN SADDAM HUSSAIN AND DELIVERED MESSAGE FROM PM INDIRA GANDHI EXPLAINING RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN INDIA. ALSO MET WITH IRAQI COMMUNICATIONS MINISTER TO DISCUSS COOPERATION IN TRANSPORTATION FIELD.

2. COMMENT: QURAISH'S DEPARTURE FROM BAGHDAD ON DAY AFTER HIS ARRIVAL WAS UNEXPECTED, SINCE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION'S PRESS RELEASE ON HIS ARRIVAL SAID STAY WAS TO LAST "SEVERAL DAYS."

3. A REFRESHING ASPECT OF VISIT (PARTICULARLY, IN VIEW OF IRAQI OFFICIALDOM'S UNREMITTING DEVOTION TO COAT AND TIE DESPITE 120 DEGREE WEATHER) WAS MINISTER'S INSISTENCE ON MAKING ALL CALLS (DOCUMENTED AT LENGTH ON TV) IN LONG-SLEEVED SHIRT. THIS LED INDIAN AMBASSADOR TO ACCOMPANY HIM IN SILK "BUSH SHIRT". HOPE THIS EMINENTLY SENSIBLE PRACTICE FROM THE SUBCONTINENT CATCHES ON SOON IN MESOPOTAMIA.

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